

Marta Shrem:

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"King's Cross"

Robert Frost: "Having invited a new Hobovert /
and been the first to use it is a won / How grieved
thy are to cross the fijns and say, / King's Cross!
No ^{fairs} fears to use it any more."

next first chapter of Bayan, "By the Banks' End
Night."

MS: AF Historians are saying to historians: "Who am I?
I am me! You're telling me I'm wrong." (Lifted cartoon:
bird: "All of a sudden, I had this wonderful feeling,
'I am me!'" other bird: "You were wrong.")

MS first reaction to idea of putting ^{2 years ago} Enola Gay
on display for 50th anniversary of Hiroshima — "Augh!
Terrible idea! put the wrong message."

Roth: have f. Enola Gay wreath on Arizona,
US Pers present wreath at Hiroshima.

Last fm, MS invited to advisory meeting: but 1st draft
summarized by: AF historians, Natl. f National
Park System, Richard Rhodes

MS said: "This exhibit is built around glorification
of Enola Gay and its mission. Even though you have made
a good faith effort to provide balance, no one will pay
any attention to that (panels on wall - vs. plane.)
[long pause]

"Counter to MS' argument was that Room 3 would present
artifacts from Hiroshima - watch frag at 8:15.

Exhibit was too worshipful. Quote of MS - Wash Post:
"My display of E.G. is obscene; amounts to a celebration."

Script went to

CSAF Hist. seized on statement that there was a debate on

Ily th found a statement ^{~ p.5} that "most historians
[MIS-QUOTED]

Polarization of history:

[though, gov]

"This is exactly what we criticise the Soviets for
doing during the CW, [and the Japanese for doing
in the textbooks]

What th wanted: 1) extend history backward, to
"balance" atrocities, provide context;
2) demand that they be removed:

(3) sentence about 'debate' ["What debate?"]

[or that debate has
largely been resolved, against

3d draft omits that sentence; but MS pointed
out Ralph Bard memorandum to DeWitt - must
give Japanese 2-3 days warning." Ily said that
removed.

He ^{quote is} memoirs: removed.

Kashey memoirs: + was against war + said so...
Removed.

MS: & find that appalling.

[PICKETS: with posters, sharing quotes; CENSORED]

"Nan's bed be good. He will be picked out, as soon as can be done gently. No one will come: left will say he sold out.

[Cf: -agent about Rule of Nanjing]

Events of
Shanghai:
Kmt/Hanjin
1932-33

- about f. notices in war

- f. Cabinet Minister.

- "war of aggression"?

- beliefs of Russell, Hatfield -- stand by life
devote our members of cos.

- Glasnost:

See "The World at War series:

Part 24- The Bomb, Feb - Sept 1945

see McCoy interview: We should tell Japanese
about Bomb () no a

Gromyko: rabid anti-Communist: wanted to end war
as soon as possible

"There's a debate in the ^{top} Cabinet: part of war not
part of peace. If we modify U.S.S.,
let the top Emperor

Stimson said - "We have the Bomb...." [so?]

Don't do this till we have used it, [or tested it?]

If we not had the Bomb, "What responsible
official would not have modified terms and ended war?"

Hiroshima

MS: WSV has had a series of articles attacking the Smithsonian: says the loan and travel exhibit that was "PC" and anti-American: on West, and on Martin? Hoffman, wrote one of those, rebutted MS: "Smithsonian should be America's atre; should show Spirit of St. Louis without country..."
MS: This is not the way curators approach their job...

Carl Menninger: In WCP, we are asking for Court to affirm that ^{use of} does violate existing law.

C & that: just asking for Court to give opinion ~~of~~ on legality

✓ Monksen: see article by Everett C. Hayes,
"Good people and dirty work."

Slother: "The West as America" — National Gallery
of Art, assoc. w. Smithsonian.

George Weil: "Lynn Cheney should be seen as ^{as bad of -- NEH?} Secretary of Domestic Defense — vs. more dangerous
than her husband forces as Sec. Def."

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Wein: What memorialization would not be a celebration?

MS: I went to see Clinton by a month at Hiroshima
~~as Empress...~~
[He gave me a sword, so he can
commit *tora-kiri*.]

[Need to have new educational campaign, before
there is an attempt at memorialization!]

Are we embarking on *Avalanche*, or a victory/
a solution / a triumph?

[- What if official account were true?
Could we then convince US public that
they were nevertheless wrong to (have) approve(d)
the Bomb? NO

[MBC: you couldn't approve one now — poss. of
opening the door to total destruction.

(But "you" could, = regional war — for some
kinds of actual motives as actual USG motives, then
+ later — as well as for alleged/hypothetical motives
("saving lives").

read for:

[- De-legitimizing Bomb (MBC)

- Understanding motives — as basis for appraisals
- appropriate fear (of history,
of our own policy)
- proper urgency

Holt: "We can't simply attack a myth — we have to
disprove it."

- "History is always contested turf. Our problem is that
we're losing this contest... gov't is opposing us

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Nigeria

- = C-II! Need to conceal fact that
it's a concession^{for U.S.} deal amidst the war!^{for U.S.}
(No war crime trial for Emperor
No depoing of Emperor)
2) Allied action (SU) had ended war!
as: Turkish deal / C-II (see Root, et al
in 1983)

and = Novari Bombing

vo. (ending demand for MW
assurance Nat. Reservt.)

To end war of ^{fabricated} allowing Emperor to remain
would have aroused a controversy, attacks:
(not esp. if Soto would be available
late - to thank, war!)

Likewise, to end war by warning of SU entry
and have given role to SU in ~~phase~~ or
manner, perhaps - competition.

(Stressed less as if Japan made
concession to us because of SU entry).

"Why 2d Bomb?" Why not? Same reason as
1000+ plane raid

Also, belief it would take at least
several bombs to have any effect on Japan
(Shows we had more than one; and one or two
still - could wait to see...;
if we could!

Were we "bloodthirsty"? No - misinformed. See Keay, etc.
What mid. were saying it was "necessary"?

Hiroshima

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-Veteran, being "He's was a civic — it wasn't necessary, or justified"; man [in the name of Duty, and of what others believe]
"It wasn't justified to save your life; your life didn't matter enough to justify killing Japanese non-combatants."

and: "You are sinful, shall be condemned, for being grateful and glad that your life was spent at the expense of these others."

and, "If he didn't come to punishment."

For Christians, Bomb was — and is — a tragic necessity, a painful (to others) necessity, a lesser evil — or not evil at all, but a BLESSING, an evidence of (God's) grace, to be grateful for and to be worshipped, to "find something in:"

[Proof: We "won the war":]

"If it had been necessary, to avoid invasion, if would have approved it. Would you, or not? If not, are you (not) condemning them (all with one, and best), are you not 'outside the bounds of verbal discussion'?"

* Stein quotes (?): "Don't trust a God in the ingr and tickness of the only class;" "monothelism is imperialistic."

(Today is NOT: Cath Church decides, "Women can't have life offices, or be priests, because Jesus chose only male apostles.")

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Kathy Batson:

Tell me alternative versions of your life story. The continuities; The discontinuities.

The success stories.

The conversion narrative. (as in 12-step groups; others; born-again Christians)
My Mine is both

Puzzles; common, understanding.

a

Allen
Wheeler

In seniors' stories: there's always two stories: a victimization story; and a survival story.

- Getting more freedom from the past, by telling alternative stories of the past, imagining alternative futures that are not determined by the past.

"We're all makin' it up as we go along."

"No Honor as Parent - It's not a war you can win, and be favored with; it's like house-keeping, child-rearing, MAINTENANCE." Never finished.

The question trying to evoke a sense of sin in America;

To do & ; I want to make a speech that
we good ^{ordinary} people have done and this are
capable of evil acts, and that we should ^{meet}
stop doing them, stop preparing to do them,
prepare not to do the acts and to abstain
and resist others doing them.

There are a few — a finish ex-Christian, who has heard
the Mandela message: resist evil non-violently,
without doing evil
non-violently, truthfully.

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Working Group on "African and American Consciousness"

Rhys's Op Ed in CAT national Patron -

who

Present: Catz Comuth, Rhys Mitchell, Lori Kinney, Sue Mandelzys, Bill Lipton,

Mary Harvey, Judith Herman, DE, MBG [Eric Marlow, Kai Erikson!
Michael Lynn] "cont as in " / Ruth Rosen;]

Peter Jennings at ABC is doing something - August.

Also ABC Turn Point - but PV is doing
something - he went to Nigeria in '85 -
created a story: "This is what happens

asked Patron to send out the

- Lori
Art a Japanese exhibition in the Canadian
EIKOH NOSOE Photographer

Karen

Gatfield wanted first

- PSR as institutional base for this:

"PSR with support

RL: Our letter is a little different: look at raw nerve,
deal sympathetically with overall psychological

Mary Hadar

- Rayosaki

RL: There is a stand African resistance &
recognizing the reality of the bomb

Mitchell: Have empathy for the ~~perimeter~~ fact that veterans
weren't told at the time - they were misled, + are
misled.

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Letters to

tell to
friends

Auditorium, Bloomington: Assoc. of Historians
American Historical Assoc.

Letters to

?

-Frank - ins

RL: submit middle-of-road
academies

?

National Academy of Sciences: Rth Adams *

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-How exploit best projects: befor th come up:
Metabol

?

-Put on a conference for C-Span to cover,

Flynn: With the election coming up,

Mary Kassabedian's Res. against Smith. version passed
"unanimously"

(fa)

[-Educate Hatfield]

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GM: Except for one NYT, all reporting, eds, columns on the
Lane

[Affert Brinkley Show. (all 4 denounced Smith.)
Will - "These guys at Smith."

(no. FU)

[Recall Will at time of Gulf War: "Wf not use
mues to save American lives - like Kosovo?" To CHENEY

V

[US CELEBRATES ITS FIRST-USE:]

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| May: What would (our) success be?
| the question able to be asked

May - Do something international.

✓ TALK TO PETE STARK about - Japan
AND GOLOSTEIN

Friedman: At OAH - were trying to internationalize
(What do others think of us?)

Bring in foreign academics

get 2, 3, 4th
septies SF?
Lori: A COUNTER-EXHIBIT -
(BY CAMPAIGN 1995? IN NEW YORK, APRIL; THEN TO WASH
including all censored from
Smithson.

Friedman will approach OAH and AHA.

CATALOG to hand out with exhibition.

HAVE MAYOR OF HIROSHIMA COOPERATE WITH
SOMAISANON OUR EXHIBIT (he isn't, with Smith.)

(Herken - or Strat. Banking exhibit?
Hersberg)

GM: Harriet is very sensitive to protest against exhibit.
She reported that past exhibits that deserved protest.

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- Conference of those who signed original petition — but plus Rotblat....
- ROTBLAT
(Feynman?)
- RUSSIAN MP? My advisors?

- JAPANESE HISTORIANS + Japanese media, journalists
End of the war,
- Campaign of Tokyo Bank
Press

Recall: Blitz / county
SHANGHAI;

- ^{Int.} Society for Transatlantic Studies
issue of news-letter
- JOANNA MACY

May: Recall visitors returning at Normandy

NEXT 50 YEARS

- REPRINT IN HARPER'S THE STIMSON ARTICLE —
WITH WHAT WAS LEFT OUT — AND CONANT, ETC.,
COMMENTS. JOHN A. MACARTHUR, Publisher
San Remo

Stimson

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Media:

Mitchell: Hit on TV, the National Archives, main
color

black & white footage, sound up

Sle is with Steury on Radiation Experiments

[Could DOE release new stuff? O'Leary

Tenidoro OE, wrote a book on Hiroshima

→ NOBEL PRIZE

[Mitchell: Have "our consensus" of historians sign a
joint letter to all editors, etc. on "real consensus"
on issues, offering to discuss
(Bind-Alper. letter?)

[MS on Alperovitz: GA book starts, "When FDR died + lost
because Pres, US policy on SU and A-bomb shifted radically."
[Those of MS book is that the terms of policy were all
MBS → check with Ruth Adams soon.]

laid down under FDR - continuing.

However, GA on the "Strategy of Postponement"
is right ... postponement of summit till the A-bomb
was tested.

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[How much does function of frontier (purple) differ
from role of purple in empire: "barbarians can only be ordered
by savage war." "Pioneering presents Capitalism in its most
(appealing form. Real estate

Exploitation of cheap labor is sound; lands
"liberated" by Native removal were confiscated by African
slave labor; railroads built by Chinese immigrants.

"Social wisdom is projected outward toward "the
that are not people": Indians + African.

"The Man Who Knows Indians" [BGL; Scotr;
Knows that Indians cannot be trusted; everything is at stake; to lose is... honor;
savages must be fought by savage means.

Cf. Those (Cathy Bates, Walter Rindfuss) who believe
that this may have been necessary to give people an
appropriate concern / focus for the Bush.

2) But what can come out of that?

What effect on us race, class?

b) Do other some people happen also to
believe, like Manson / Trifunovic (WWK?) that "the
next explosion" will lead to disintegration?

c) Another belief is like that of Compton + Offir, a
Hiroshima.

d) Why would it work better than in 1985 - ?

- Mr. Kegion is protecting FDR/bst in the guise of protecting Filiberto's crew.
(and "invader troops" - defining notion
of saving them at cost of Japanese cws).

[Exhibit on strat. bombing]

You want bravery? OK, US bombing command.
(Killed in B-52? Losses?) But...
How effects of all: Shangri '82; Hiroshima...

Debate on strat. bombing - (+ massacre)

Then

Viz. "Memphis Belle"

- Deception around Hiroshima/Miyagi is as just as nazi Tankin Gulf.

- Bombs used on an enormous civ. pop. of an
enem. bwnn to be defeated [Dresden]
- ready to surrender on terms acceptable to us, the
same

SECRET

- // - justifiable not to reveal we could reveal
Japanese codes, during war (see Midway)
(+ "normal" not to reveal this after war?

Who did this? Paul Tibbets? Nagasaki?

But effect^{cost} is like not running US during
"missile gap" debate!

Effect of "ignorance, fear, want-care"
is not as just as supposed (as vs McNamara,
per 1961 AIA decision) — give went with!

But effect of not revealing this... [or anthropologists, Japanese
experiments]

JKR = C-II: "If I'm ready to track Int. missiles - no need to missile / attack!"

- best: If I'm ready to has Export - proto.
no need to missiles

(if Export missile is commod)

Top. w/ SU enters..

I think was a clear mission must be
needed, to get this acceptable to us
(possibly by doable mission under get
this acceptable to them!)

But then, what 2-12 A-bombs have gotten
a reward? (If top. Any is cheap?)

Has?

IS fur at 5 931-3819

415-455-7612 bumper

2 3:10, 4

fur 2:50 - 3:10

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Slotkin: A good poem has to be in bad taste; it
has to invite a sneer^(?) about what we know we are
supposed to feel (grave) about. It has to reject
sentimentality of conventional

"We've missed so much in WWII it seems a sin
to miss it."

(American Noise, by Capell McHattie)

Mitchell: other aspects of Am. culture have all
avoided Hiroshima. Few movies, novels — "if you knew one,"
(& mention Cat's Cradle — S/M says, it starts
with notion of writing about Aug 6, 1945.

May: Nagasaki demonstrates the lie — The willingness
to do it again, "for the hell of it ..." — "Hiroshima
was enough" [or it ought have been] — to
demonstrate the power —

Mayor of Nagasaki: "It's like winning second prize
at a county fair."

BV: "Publisher said, "A Place Called Nagasaki"

RL: "Nag was 'blind mouth,'" was ("life is ^{top} drop")
[readiness ^{prob. used} to drop 12+ bombs]

RS: focus on Nag — break the frame.

RB: Seemay is a contributor to an already -
producing situation;
lack of debate

Catherine Batteson

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NH,

Harriet, May's mom, had children draw pictures of Hiroshima.

MCB

Drew a series of prints of Hiroshima —
how it looks from the sea, from the place, and:

"This is how it looks to the people in Hiroshima."

"They won't be there in a month — but
this is how it looks to the people just
before it hits."

Earlier, at V-E Day, (MCB was 5) her mother explained
that it did not mean Daddy was coming home; there were
two theaters of war, Eur + Pac — This was news to MCB —
and he was in Pacific. (Burma?)

In a car that fall, one boy said, "I'm going to
hit you with 10 atom bombs"; another said, "I'm going to
hit you with 1000 atom bombs." MCB said: "One would
be enough."

Maryann Neal said later (own-stated): on news of
Hiroshima, I tore up what I was working on."

(MCB: She won't care for throwing drafts away.)

From our nation's savage wars - a serious distortion - or role of slave labor, or of corporate corruption + manipulation

Progressive myth (TR) are men who can master the instincts of fearful coercion -

men as vigilantes - skilled in the arts of violence - groups of individuals

act outside and against the law,

NAR Ku Klux Klan (positive model of this '20s)
privileged use of violent outlets of legal restraints
for social ends

[Ding Hany, Lethal Weapon, (Indian Jones?)
Rando - style of a populist outlaw, in pursuit of
antidictatorial ends.

NAR, IV, Roger as Men Who Know Justice.

For JFK + LBJ, the counterpart to the frontier was the
cheap oil of the ME.

Savage Other: Every who cannot be negotiated with, only destroyed.

[Lack of war films in VN

Crohn, an outburst of Western with CI thus:
Magnificent beam - Huu Bent;

"In savage war, genocide is often our wish, but that
of the savage other - so we must prevent them

Lvs. Rogers, this was not paranoid, for Sjoland; us,
vs. Stalin; but AVW's wins of SO bodies' willing to suffer 20M
Central American, Indonesia as 'savage war.' ^{cos. → PROJECTION}

Lyt, our imagined projection of SC leaders —
Kutes' Bolsheviks — who were, like HK, prepared
to sacrifice 20M "again" —

1973: ☀ Past year of VN, of N (?) was last year
of Western till 1992 (coming back).

- New anthology — will have to reflect a different set of memories --

Adrienne Rich: acknowledge, "This we have done,
to our sorrow

... see how savage war

[PS: We may reconstitute the language of
socialism — The Bill Curve. It's brought back;

We sold the American Dream to ... the Indians...
they're coming in.



Strayen: The way we think about the future [and the present?] affects the way we understand the past, it possibilities [blame]

^{Revel}
apocalyptic — to reveal, disclose (the divine: the already revealed future, to which we have access in prophecy.)
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absolute, terrifying, violence

Daniel, Revelation
[prophetic events!]

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of an unfolding out of chaos of history to
redemption, through line of violence
influenced early Jewish texts, then Christianity.

3rd fall, 240-44

Does Krishna allow (after 1968?) for learning from
experience? + responding "better" to some situations
(which is not the same as my before - even if it
seems to be (transformation, mgt, illusion) - yet my be
enough still that you do get a second chance,
a chance to do better than you would have if you
had not had the "experience" and "learned" from it/ben
changed by/after it ...

Compare this to "transformation" - "attempt at rectifying",
rectification. Even better, can't happen, says Krishna.

Major "rectification" is: tiny, earlier
error/mistake/fail-up into a useful learning/teaching
experience, perhaps worsened, anyway, helpful, valuable;
thus, undoing its status as failure, wrong
and compensating you for past pain...
+ includes others

Vonnegut's notion of heroes "learns" propose (Krishna will)
and who deals.

[SEE SARTRE,
THE WALL]

My life, like Dickens', is an attempt to dislodge
experiences (mostly surprises) of the past ...

Perhaps point big "target" on, over and over, is:
- You don't know what your close associates
really want, are really up to... [mother, wife, bosses,
friends...]
or what "th" (bosses) will use/make of
what you offer/agree/do...
(or what real effects will
be...)



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Nogis: redemption violence. 1000-year Reich.

Fundamentalist ideology: remnant; suffering, end-time; raptured

Manifest Destiny — Christianity, Apocalyptic

Stegner: In apocalyptic imagery there is great potential for malice: the ungodly, the ungodly evil of the 20th, the unbelievers — who will be subject to God's vengeance.

[Jesus' message is to give up human revenge — "Vengeance is mine, saith the Lord" — but conflict with prophecy of God's vengeance.]

[On Nixon as apocalyptic — "Would Nixon have dropped Bob? — see his support of Sherman — USAF/S.B. — Niroshin, "The Weigley, American Way of War," ; but we act without THREAT OF TERRORISM

Deterrence comes out of notion of punishment (official measure), procedurally-restrained (renegotiated) for crime [so I SEE IMMINENT CATASTROPHE] ^{Cold War}: I knew this, kind w. it, began accident

AS JUDGMENT, PUNISHMENT? — E.G. THE ACCIDENT [MONKEY'S PAUL FOR ACCEPTING MY PUNISHMENT LIBERATION]